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SUBJECT: RELOCATION OF ZAIRIAN REFUGEES WITHIN ANGOLA.

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1. APPRECIATE MISSION'S DETAILED REPORT ON UNHCR AND LEAGUE OF INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS ACTIVITIES IN RESETTLING KATANGANESE REFUGEES WITHIN ANGOLA. RELOCATION OF THESE REFUGEES FURTHER AWAY FROM THE ZAIRIAN BORDER COULD PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN CALMING TENSIONS BETWEEN ANGOLA AND ZAIRE.

2. DEPENDING ON THE EVOLUTION OF EVENTS, WE MAY WISH TO CONSIDER HOW INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES MIGHT BE ABLE TO ASSIST ANGOLA IN THIS TASK. WE WOULD THEREFORE LIKE MORE INFORMATION.  
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TION ON WHAT KIND OF ASSISTANCE IS MOST NEEDED AND HOW IT MIGHT BEST BE DELIVERED. WOULD APPRECIATE ANYTHING THE MISSION COULD DO TO DISCUSS THIS INFORMALLY WITH UNHCR AND RED CROSS OFFICIALS WHO HAD DIRECT EXPERIENCE IN ANGOLA -- WITHOUT IMPLYING THAT A DECISION HAS BEEN MADE TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE. WOULD BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN REPORTS FROM THE LEAGUE OF RED CROSS SOCIETY PERSONNEL WHO LEFT

ANGOLA AT THE REQUEST OF THE ANGOLAN GOVERNMENT.

3. WE UNDERSTAND FROM REFTEL THAT TRANSPORT AND HOUSING ARE THE TWO MAIN BOTTLENECKS NOW. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMED VIEWS WHETHER AN AIRLIFT (POSSIBLY USING THE SWEDISH C-130 REFERRED TO IN REFTEL) WOULD BE FEASIBLE. ALSO WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING WHAT KIND OF HOUSING NEEDS ARE ANTICIPATED.

4. IF IT TURNS OUT THERE IS MORE THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY COULD DO THROUGH THE UN TO SUPPORT THIS RE-SETTLEMENT, WE MAY WISH TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE WITH EUROPEANS INVOLVED IN OUR EFFORTS TO SUPPORT ZAIRE. VANCE

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